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## ORLA CHENNAOUI

### **Multilingual presenter, Journalist, Host of Cycling on Eurosport and co-host of The Cycling Podcast Feminin and The Breakdown**

Orla Chennaoui is a multilingual TV sports presenter (French, Dutch, German, Spanish, Italian & Portuguese), host and journalist with experience working in both hard news and sport.

As a Lead Presenter for both TNT Sports and Discovery/Eurosport/GCN, Orla works across cycling, rugby, MotoGP and the Olympics amongst other things. Orla has presented cycling on location from multiple Tours de France, Giros d'Italia and Vuelta a Espana, three Olympic Games (London, Rio and Tokyo) and one Commonwealth Games (Glasgow), and currently presents all Grand Tours and significant races from The Cube - a high tech studio in London. Orla will be presenting Premiership Rugby on TNT Sports pitch side for the 2023/2024 season.



A background in news and investigations has dictated a generally hard-news approach in Orla's sports reporting, while through presenting she has gained a wealth of experience and knowledge across a broad range of sports.

In May 2019 Orla joined Eurosport as the lead presenter for their cycling coverage alongside Sir Bradley Wiggins. Orla hosts all of the action, live and daily highlights for the Giro d'Italia, Tour de France and the Vuelta a Espana amongst other prominent races in the calendar. Since 2020, Orla has presented The Breakaway for Eurosport for the public to keep in touch with the action as it happens from the studio.

In 2021, after the world waited a year, Orla led the broadcasting of the Tokyo Olympic Games for Eurosport and Discovery on the ground in Tokyo. Alongside Sir Bradley Wiggins, Greg Rutherford and others, they presented informative and nail-biting coverage across all sports and brought out the emotion of medal winning interviews to the people at home.

At the end of 2021, Orla also presented the highly anticipated inaugural UCI Track Champions League, presenting live from the velodromes in Mallorca, Lithuania and the UK, which she repeated for the 2022 series across all venues.

Away from the camera, Orla continues her work co-hosting The Cycling Podcast Feminin, and writing regular columns for Rouleur magazine, the Metro newspaper and Belfast Telegraph. Orla was the guest editor for [Rouleur Issue 101](#) - a Women's special - landmark edition to celebrate what it is to be a woman in modern cycling which is, to date, Rouleur's biggest selling issue.

In 2022 Orla launched her latest podcast venture, [The Breakdown](#), alongside Olympian Greg Rutherford where they meet sports stars and celebrities to discuss the components of success, the battles common to us all, and the elements of sport that unify each and every one of us.

Alongside her broadcasting and journalistic career Orla also relishes live hosting opportunities hosting events such as the Rouleur Classic and The Women in Sport Summit providing industry insight along with a collection of other influential guests, and inspiring others within the sports arena.

In early 2023, Orla launched her latest personal venture, [Ten Times Braver](#) (TTB) - a community of support, lifestyle hacks, events and tips to overcome the fears holding you back.

To spread the TTB message, Orla led a motivational speaking session for Belstaff which was a huge success. Belstaff CEO Fran Millar said, "as a people focussed organisation, we are always looking for new ways to engage our team in purposeful conversations about their own well-being and mental

health. Orla provided a fresh, unique approach: authentic, empathetic but full of energy and power – the team came away buzzing and inspired."

Orla has a degree in Law with French and a post grad in journalism and away from presenting Orla is a keen part time yogi, outdoor swimmer, and full time Mum.

### **Past Work & Experiences:**

#### **Live Presenting / Reporting**

2023	TNT Sports – Premiership Rugby	Lead Presenter	Live TV
2022	ITV Sport – MotoGP	Lead Presenter	Live TV
2022	Jumbo Visma – The Next Top Mechanic	Lead Presenter	Online
2020/2021	Zwift – Online e-bike racing (incl World Championships)	Lead Presenter	Online
2020	Olympic Channel – Boxing	Lead Presenter	Live TV
2019 – present	Eurosport / Discovery / GCN – - Giro D'Italia - Tour de France - Vuelta a Espana - One-day Classics / Stage Races - Moto GP - UCI Track Champions League - Tokyo Olympics - Winter Pass - Superleague Triathlon Series	Lead Presenter	Live TV
2019	IAAF World Athletics Championships	Lead Presenter	Live TV
2017	Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games	Event Host	Live TV
2010 – 2019	Sky Sports (Principal Reporter for London 2012 and Rio 2016 Olympics)	Reporter	Live TV
2005 – 2010	Sky News	Reporter	Live TV
Pre 2005	STV / Scotland Today	Reporter	Live TV
Pre 2005	ITV Meridian	Reporter	Live TV
Pre 2005	2 Ten FM	Radio Host	Radio

#### **Journalism / Podcasts:**

2022	The Game Changers Podcast	Guest
2022	The Breakdown with Orla Chennaoui and Greg Rutherford	Podcast Host
2018 – Present	Rouleur Magazine (Guest Editor of Issue 101 in 2021)	Contributor
2021 – Present	The Belfast Telegraph	Contributor
2020 – Present	The Cycling Podcast Feminin	Podcast Host
2020 – Present	The Metro	Contributor
2017	When Orla Met?	Podcast Host

#### **Corporate & Event hosting:**

2023	Ford – Employee Engagement Conferences	Lead Presenter
2022	Adidas – Brand Launch Event	Lead Presenter
2022	Yamaha – Brand Launch Event	Lead Presenter
2022	Shimano – Brand B2B Product Launch	Lead Presenter
2022	Sidley London Revolution Launch – Q&A with Pete Kennaugh and Lizzie Deignan	Q&A Host / Presenter
2021	Libraries NI – Anxiety is my Superpower	Speaker
2021	Team GB Ball	Host / Presenter

2020	Independent Coach Education Annual Conference of Sport	Speaker
2019	Rouleur Classic	Host / Presenter
2019	Team Ineos Awards	Host / Presenter
2019	UCI Summit	Host / Presenter
2019	Women in Sport Summit	Host / Presenter
2019	Sunweb / DSM Team Launch	Host / Presenter
2019	Jumbo Visma Team Launch	Host / Presenter
2018	Little Bleeders Annual Dinner	Host
2018	OVO Energy Women's Tour announcement	Presenter
2018	British Cycling Awards Dinner	Host
2017	Best Fifa Football Awards' Green Carpet	Reporter

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